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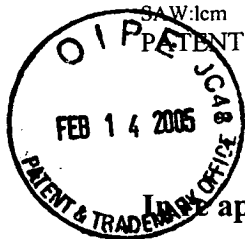
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COMMENTS ON REASON FOR ALLOWANCE

Responsive to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowability dated January 13, 2005, Applicants comment as follows.

Applicants agree that various claim limitations indicated in the *Reason for Allowance* “[are] not found in the prior art references.” However, Applicants respectfully disagree that other claim limitations are taught as such by Wanderer. Applicants respectfully submit that these other claim limitations may have other distinctions from Wanderer and the art of record that were not discussed in Applicants’ *Remarks* mailed November 5, 2004, and thus were not considered by the Office. Because the claim limitations discussed in Applicants’ *Remarks* and indicated in the *Reason for Allowance* are not found in the prior art references, such additional distinctions as to the other claim limitations were not further belabored in Applicants’ *Remarks*.

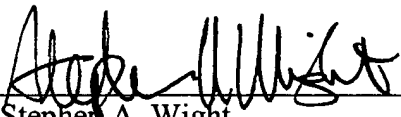
Applicants also respectfully note that references in Applicants’ *Remarks* to the specification are to features of certain implementations of the claimed inventions that illustrate an example of the claim language, and not *per se* to definitions of claim language. Further, Applicants respectfully note that the citation in the *Reason for Allowance* to page 47, lines 8-19 of the specification does not appear to relate directly to the language, “peer accessible,” and such citation does not appear at page 9 of Applicants’ *Remarks*.

To the extent that the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance uses language not identically appearing in the claims, Applicants note that the claims are not limited by such language, but rather the actual language of each claim speaks for itself.

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